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Docket No. 163-689

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PATENT OPERATION**

In re application of:

Giovanni Meazza

Serial No.: 10/573,052

Group Art Unit: 1626

Filing Date: March 22, 2006

Examiner: HAVLIN, ROBERT H

TITLE: DERIVATIVES OF 1,3 DIONES HAVING A HERBICIDAL ACTIVITY

New York, NY 10036  
April 20, 2010

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action that was mailed January 20, 2010. Kindly amend the above identified application as follows: